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Henry Bemporad, U.S. Magistrate

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	Western D	istrict	of Texas	WESTERN I	DISTRICT OF TEXA
United States of America v. Mark Anthony Caldera a.k.a. Big Boy, a.k.a. Big Chones, a.k.a. UM-4053 Defendant(s))) Case No. 5:20) 1:20-mj-			
	CRIMINA	L CO	MPLAINT		
I, the complainant in this c	ase, state that the follo	owing	is true to the best of	f my knowledge and belie	f.
On or about the date(s) of2	018 through Sept. 201	9	in the county of	Bexar and others	in the
Western District of	Texas ,	the de	efendant(s) violated	:	
Code Section			Offense Desc	ription	
21 USC Section 846, 841(a)(1) This criminal complaint is	Intent to Distribu Substance, to w detectable amou	ute a C ⁄it 500	controlled grams or more of a	3)(viiii) - Conspiracy to Po	
	bused on these facts.				
See attached Affidavit					
∇ Continued on the attach	ned sheet.		Jai	Complainant's signature me Diaz, Task Force Office Printed name and title	per
Sworn to before me and signed in	my presence.		4	21.m	-
Date: 02/10/2020				Judge's signature	

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San Antonio, Texas

City and state:

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

- 1. Jaime Diaz, Affiant, being duly sworn, deposes and says:
- 2. I am an Investigator with the Seguin Police Department, assigned to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) as a Task Force Officer (TFO). I have been so employed since December 19, 2018. My responsibilities include the investigation of criminal violations of Title 21, United States Code and other related offenses.
- 3. This affidavit is based upon my familiarity and investigation of this matter, as well as conversations I have had with other members of law enforcement also involved in this investigation and from other sources of information specifically discussed herein. This affidavit does not include every fact and matter observed by me or known to the government relating to this investigation.
- 4. Since around 2018, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), with support from the United States Marshals Service (USMS), Seguin Police Department, Texas Department of Public Safety, Terrell Hills Police Department, Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office, Hays County Sheriff's Office, Bexar County Sheriff's Office, Gonzales Police Department, and San Marcos Police Department, have been investigating the Escobedo drug trafficking organization ("DTO") operating in Seguin, Texas, Austin, Texas, San Antonio, Texas (all within the Western District of Texas), Mexico, and elsewhere. Jesse Escobedo, the leader of this organization, is based out of Seguin, Texas. The Escobedo DTO has been responsible for the importation and distribution of methamphetamine and cocaine throughout the United States and the laundering of money to promote and conceal the trafficking of narcotics. This investigation has resulted in the seizure of over

- 5 kilograms of cocaine, over 65 grams of crack cocaine, and over 14 kilograms of methamphetamine.
- 5. Mark Anthony Caldera a.k.a. Big Chones, a.k.a. UM-4053 (CALDERA) is a member of the Escobedo DTO. CALDERA has been intercepted via Title III wiretaps on numerous occasions speaking to Escobedo and other co-conspirators regarding the distribution of narcotics, specifically cocaine, and drug proceeds. From the spring of 2018 through September of 2019, CALDERA worked for the organization as an individual taking receipt of and distributing kilogram quantities of cocaine, collecting and delivering drug proceeds, and depositing drug proceeds. Throughout this investigation, Escobedo utilized his property off Geronimo in Seguin, Texas, to distribute controlled substances and collect drug proceeds. For example, CALDERA has been intercepted on March 8, 2019, communicating with Escobedo regarding coordinating a meet up, and he was observed shortly after those communications, on March 8, 2019, arriving at the Geronimo property. He left shortly thereafter. A few days later, Escobedo was intercepted complaining about the quality of the kilogram of cocaine that CALDERA had delivered and discussing how he was going to try to cut it / salvage it. Also, CALDERA utilized a property off Harmon's Way in San Marcos, Texas, to conduct numerous cocaine transactions. For example, on August 8, 2019, based off intelligence from Title II wiretaps, along with surveillance and other known information, DEA seized over 60

grams of cocaine originating from that particular residence.

Jaime Diaz Pask Force Officer/DEA

Sworn to before me this

day of February 2020

HENRY J. BEMPORAD

U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Date:

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the Western District of Texas United States of America Case No. 5:20-MJ-232 1:20-mj-124 Mark Anthony Caldera a.k.a. Big Boy, a.k.a. Big Chones, a.k.a. UM-4053 Defendant ARREST WARRANT To: Any authorized law enforcement officer YOU ARE COMMANDED to arrest and bring before a United States magistrate judge without unnecessary delay (name of person to be arrested) Mark Anthony Caldera a.k.a. Big Boy, a.k.a. Big Chones, a.k.a. UM-4053 who is accused of an offense or violation based on the following document filed with the court: ☐ Superseding Information Complaint ☐ Superseding Indictment ☐ Information ☐ Indictment ☐ Violation Notice ☐ Order of the Court ☐ Probation Violation Petition ☐ Supervised Release Violation Petition This offense is briefly described as follows: 21 USC 846 & 21 USC 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B)(viiii) - Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance, to wit 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine. Date: 02/10/2020 Jaime Diaz, Task Force Officer San Antonio, Texas City and state: Printed name and title Return This warrant was received on (date) , and the person was arrested on (date) at (city and state)

Arresting officer's signature

Printed name and title